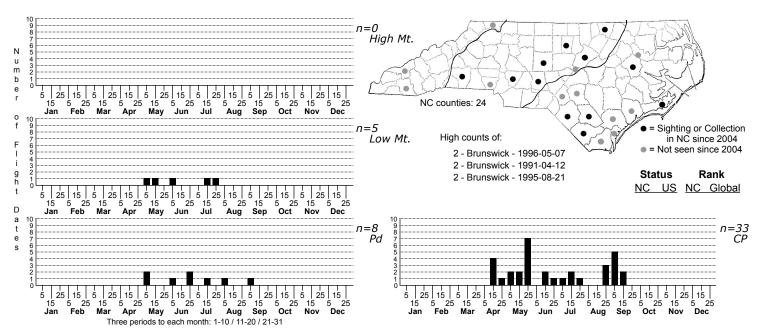
Gondysia smithii Smith's Darkwing



FAMILY: Erebidae SUBFAMILY: Erebinae TRIBE: Poaphilini

TAXONOMIC_COMMENTS: One of four species in this genus that occur in North America north of Mexico (Lafontaine and Schmidt, 2010), all of which have been recorded in North Carolina

FIELD GUIDE DESCRIPTIONS: Covell (1984; as Disgonia smithi)

ONLINE PHOTOS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS:

DISTRIBUTION: Please refer to the dot map.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT:

FOOD: According to Wagner (pers. comm. to JBS, 2014), larvae of either G. smithii or G. telma have been reared on Styrax. Based on its association with upland forests, Styrax grandifolius, which grows primarily in mesic hardwoods, seems like the most likely choice.

OBSERVATION METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G4 S3S4

STATE PROTECTION: Has no legal protection, although permits are required to collect it on state parks and other public lands.

COMMENTS: